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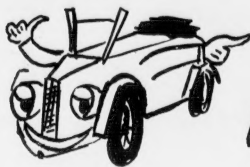
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Accounts of the birth of the Town of St. Albert can convey only dimly the incredible sufferings of the missionaries who pioneered the way. I have never ceased to wonder at the amazing driving force animating men who left the sophisticated cultures of Europe to minister to the needs of a simple and almost primitive people. After nearly one hundred years, paved roads, steel bridges, water, sewage and innumerable improvements have all combined to make living in St. Albert easy and

pleasant for us all, but I think Bishop Grandin and Father Lacombe might chuckle a bit if they could but hear how easily we complain at even the slightest hardship. They would remember the spring floods, and wading across the Sturgeon, and later the luxury of a log bridge. Perhaps Bishop Grandin has earned the right to have this school named in his honor.

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TO THE NEW TOWN OF ST. ALBERT.



Miss Pauli Keats
interviewing Mrs.
Louise Belcourt.

MRS. LOUISE BELCOURT

She's a little old lady with a charming air, a twinkle in her eye and a memory as sharp as a tack. She is an almost-Centurian having been born eighty-three years ago right here in St. Albert and was christened Louise Rowland. Her father was a farmer and her Grandfather the agent for the Hudson's Bay Company at a time when the bulk of business was the trading of furs with the Indians. She was twice married first to Mr. George Fraser and after his death to Mr. John Belcourt. Mrs. Belcourt recalls with amusement the many times she persuaded her Grandfather to donate the sugar for home-made candy - the other children were not so fortunate as to have a grandfather with a Store. Dogsledding, Tobogganning and Jig dances made up the entertainment for the children during the Christmas holidays, and then back to school at the old St. Albert School, now the site of the museum. The building was constructed of logs and consisted of two rooms. Besides the three R's, all taught bilingually, emphasis was placed on the home-making arts. Laughingly, Mrs. Belcourt touched on the subject of juvenile delinquency of that time. "We had three 'bad boys'" she recalled, "and they were continually being locked in the basement for punishment".

Whether or not it was the result of this form of correction, in any case all three grew into law-abiding citizens. Although this lady claims only a Grade Four education, her lively conversation and power of expression would do credit to a high-school graduate.

Life was not as backward as one might think. Mrs. Belcourt's early recollections are of cooking over the open fireplace and baking the bread in outside ovens, but before she was very old, her mother made a trip to Winnipeg (a three week journey) and returned with a symbol of modern living - The cook stove.

As with most of us, Mrs. Belcourt's most pleasant reminiscences are of her childhood Christmas's. Each year a party was held in the parish

dinners have not changed much over the years even to the point of always eating too much. After dinner, families went visiting, the children eager to collect as much candy and other treats as they could.

Summer Holidays, Mrs. Belcourt usually spent with her married sister, where part of her daily chores consisted of milking eight cows. Our "senior citizen" is living proof that hard work never hurt anybody. At seventeen she started working as a waitress in the Queen's Hotel, Edmonton, at a salary of eight dollars a month. For this princely wage she arose at five A.M., reported for work at six A.M. and finished her working day at ten P.M. When asked how many days a week she had off, Mrs. Belcourt looked puzzled and not surprisingly, as she worked seven days a week. One would expect that with such a long work-day relaxation and entertainment would have to be abandoned but this was fitted in with little apparent difficulty. "Often", said Mrs. Belcourt, "we would go to the country for a dance after work and always got back in time for work in the morning".

Mrs. Belcourt married at the age of twenty-three and had two children by her first marriage and seven by the second. Mr. Belcourt passed away in 1941 but all her children are living and have presented her with a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Belcourt holds definite opinions on most subjects: On life today -- basically it hasn't changed, only household appliances; on children's punishment -- you can't beat the basement method; on Weddings "we sure knew how to celebrate them in the old days;" and on fashions -- "there's nothing like ostrich feathers".

Pauli Keats

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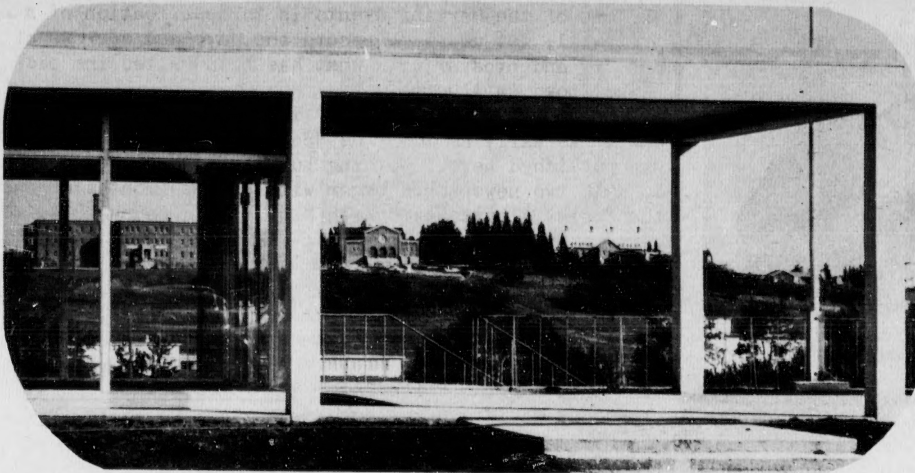
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FROM THE MANAGEMENT

Today we have the pleasure of presenting you with your own St. Albert Newspaper which we hope will gain a permanent place in the homes and in the hearts of all the people of St. Albert and District.

The idea for the St. Albert newspaper was in the minds of all of us because we needed a local communication between all the citizens of this very fast growing town. Also, our local business men wanted closer contact in advertising with the whole population of St. Albert and District. With this knowledge we decided to start the publishing of the St. Albert Gazette on the memorable day, June 17, 1961, just 100 years after the great day that Father Lacombe chose St. Albert as "The Place" to start a new community life. We are convinced that only with the support of every citizen will we be able to make this newspaper a success in our community. We are very thankful for all the compliments, blessings and best wishes given us during the past busy weeks. This will strengthen us to do our very responsible community task in the best possible way.

The shares of the St. Albert Gazette are only in the hands of

St. Albert citizens. The staff of the St. Albert Gazette are 100% pure St. Albert people all living in our Town, all very interested in the community life and development of our Town and all giving the best they can, guided by the glorious history of our wonderful Town of St. Albert. Our main task will be to serve the people of St. Albert and District by bringing news in the following fields: Community Activities, Town Administration, Church Activities, School Activities, Social Functions, Educational, Historical, Sports and items of general interest. The St. Albert Gazette will be a non-denominational, non-political, independent newspaper without influence from civic, commercial or any organization or individual. There will not be any subscription fee but we hope that you will remember your paperboy for his service in delivering your paper weekly to your home.

Last but not least, please do not hesitate to write us regarding any matter which can help to increase a solid healthy community life.

Wim Netelenbos, Sr.
General Manager

Mr. J. H. Arseneau, Manager of the Bank of Montreal, St. Albert, was elected District Governor of District 37B Lions International at the District 37 Convention which was held in Medicine Hat last week.

He was the President of the local Lions Club in 1957 and will now direct the activities of 28 Lions Clubs in Northern Alberta.

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Our Centennial year will be a momentous one for Saint Albert and one of the marking events is the publication of a newspaper that will, let us hope, record the joys and sorrows of the next century and prosper with what has been called the oldest and the newest town in Alberta.

The "Saint Albert Gazette" is not the first newspaper in Our Town. As early as 1889 the "Saint Albert, North West Territories" was published here. Nothing but the souvenir of a name remains. In 1912 two newspapers began within a few months of one another: the "Saint Albert News" with Miss Vera Rheame as editor, which serves to prove that if we were late in certain innovations, we were ahead as far as the emancipation of women was concerned. The third paper of Saint Albert was a bilingual paper called the "Etoile de Saint Albert - Star of Saint Albert" and was edited and printed by Jos Lafranchise who for a long time was postmaster. The Star incurred the displeasure of the News which expressed itself in a nagging editorial. Both papers were short-lived.

Now the Saint Albert Gazette is born and it is a privilege to be asked to write in its first number. I can't say that it was with fear and reluctance that I accepted the invitation of the editor. I think the publication of the newspaper is another sign of Our Town growing, becoming of age, flexing its muscles. Towns take longer to age than men and it might be that 100 years is just the time it takes for a town to become adult. If that is the fact let us rejoice and prove to ourselves and to others that we are mature and able to grow with a will and a purpose and not just follow the trends as they hit us in the flowing changes.

For a long time, Saint Albert looked like a sleepy little town by the sleepy little Sturgeon River and nothing apparently was happening. Yet the origins of Our Town were not sleepy, nor too slow, nor too peaceful. It was more like the rampaging river at its crest in the Spring, like an explosion in the valley with so many events that would bring laughter and frowns if they were told. The pioneers were a rugged lot, full of life and wit and considered that quiet was not the better regime for lively human beings. It is in the later years that quiet descended and that we became dormant.

Now there is an awakening: homes are built, services are there for every one's use, trees are planted. We have schools and halls and organizations; so many organizations in fact that even the choice of those that suit each one becomes a problem. One fact is evident: we are growing fast, we will keep on growing and probably realize the dream of the Town Fathers and see 30,000 people here.

It takes more than many people to make a town. There is one thing to be said in favor of the old quiet life of Saint Albert: everyone knew everyone else, all felt close to one another, all helped one another and if at times there were differences, struggles, hatreds and even single combats, they did not last for ever and were engulfed in the good will of the majority.

That kind of life will be more difficult now because 30,000 can not feel as close as 1500 and yet we have to strive for that goal. We have to forget that we are so many small units to remember only that together we form a large unit, like a large, good, united family.

It will take a lot of understanding, a lot of respect of all by all, a lot of cooperation and that marvelous disposition of the generous human being, the faculty of forgetting one's self for others, for all others no matter where they live and on what hill they worship, no matter if they are from an obscure little hamlet or from the grand city, no matter if they are in hard financial circumstances or if they live in a palace with two cadillacs in the car port for the neighbors to admire.

It might take time to realize the ideal of a solid, closely knit community, to stimulate the dormants and to quieten the biased and the prejudiced but we can and will succeed because it is a well known fact that there are more men of good will than sour-faced-joy-killers; there are more people with a wide open heart than there are with a dried up little pump.

This will be enough. I don't intend to use a newspaper for a pulpit and I don't imagine that I would be welcome if I did. All I wanted to do was to congratulate the brave man who has dreamed to begin a newspaper and who hopes to spread culture and good cheer with his news. I was carried away by my love for Saint Albert; after all I was here 32 years ago and twice I worked here for a total of 13 years and the sleepy little town has won my affection. There is nothing I want more than to see it grow and prosper in every possible way from size to wisdom. That is the reason why I was carried away to such a length. I thought I was only thinking but I did my thinking aloud as I do with my friends.

Father Emile Tardif o.m.i.



It is a great pleasure to take advantage of the opportunity afforded to me by the publishers of this newspaper to write a few words about our "Town", but first I must offer my sincere congratulations to the persons responsible for this opportunity. We are indeed fortunate to have men and women in St. Albert who have the initiative and foresight to provide the means whereby news of local interest may be disseminated to all residents.



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Officially the name of our town is "The New Town of St. Albert" being declared as such by the Lieutenant Governor in Council on January 1st, 1957. Why a "New Town" after being a "Town" for so many years? It appeared to the Council during the years 1955 - 1956 that St. Albert was the logical place for persons to

come to who desired to live in a suburban atmosphere and yet enjoy all the conveniences of being close to a major city, but there were several problems to overcome before any large scale development could be permitted, the major ones being those of a water supply and of sewage disposal. These problems, of course, could be overcome if the necessary finances were available. Where to get the money from? This was a question that caused much discussion in Council at that time.

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Towns Act", which provided for the development and planning of New Towns in the Province. This Act, although primarily intended to provide the necessary financing and control of "Old Towns" such as Drayton Valley, Lodgepole, etc., was considered by the Council and it appeared if St. Albert could qualify as a "New Town" the provisions of the Act would supply most of the answers to our immediate problems. After many months of study, application was made to the Provincial Planning Advisory Board which was subsequently approved and St. Albert as at

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The publishers of this newspaper have requested me to write a series of articles, of which this one is the first, dealing with all aspects of the administration of our Town, such as planning, financing, etc. and it

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was with great pleasure that I accepted and I trust that you will find them both interesting and informative.

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Congratulations
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I hope that as many of you as possible will join in the celebrating of the 100th Birthday of St. Albert on Saturday. An excellent programme has been arranged and you can be assured of a good time if you participate.

Gordon Parkes

CONGRATULATIONS

TO THE CITIZENS OF OUR ST. ALBERT COMMUNITY



St. Albert Community League.

The St. Albert and District Community League extends congratulations to the people of St. Albert on the celebration of their Towns' Centennial and the opening of their new Town Hall. We also wish to congratulate the St. Albert Gazette on this, their



Congratulations to the St. Albert Gazette from the congregation of the United Church and their student minister, Clifford Parkes.

During the month of June the pulpit will be taken by Robert Thomson, 2nd year Theology student.

On July 1st Dr. Schwartz will take over as resident minister.

first issue of what we all hope will be a successful and well accepted community weekly.

We are all proud of our historical background and our progressive municipal administration. A good municipal recreational programme is the

Services will be at 9:30 A.M.

Rev. Clifford Parkes is in England visiting relatives and engaging in a preaching mission from which he will return to begin his work in the United Church at Alex.

From its beginning the St. Albert United Church has represented several communions and we therefore invite all to join with us in our morning worship.

Mr. Harold Vague
Clerk of Session.

only thing lacking, so we urge you to let the Board of Administrators know your wishes in this matter and support any endeavour towards achieving this in the near future.

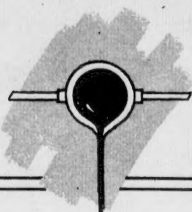
G. C. Walker,
President.



On behalf of the Sir Alexander Mackenzie Home and School Association, I extend heartiest congratulations to the Town of St. Albert on the occasion of its Centennial.

Congratulations are also extended to the St. Albert Gazette. The inauguration of this newspaper is a tribute to the public spirit displayed by its founders.

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The Lions Club of St. Albert are proud to extend their best wishes and warmest congratulations to the Oblate Fathers and to the Sisters of Charity and are happy to join with all others in the community in celebrating their centennial.

As part of the International Association of Lions Clubs whose motto is "We Serve" and whose members completed over two hundred thousand community service projects in one hundred and



eleven countries in the world during the past twelve months, we respect and admire those to whom unselfishness and dedicated service is a way of life.

Our congratulations also to the Board of Administrators of the New Town of St. Albert on the occasion of the formal opening of their new administrative building and best wishes for continued growth and success.

Ed. Powell,
President.

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CONGRATULATIONS

to the New Town of St. Albert,
which celebrates its 100th Anniversary!

The citizens of St. Albert can be proud of this progressive step.

The Sir Alexander Mackenzie Home and School Association assures the St. Albert Gazette of its whole-hearted support in making this newspaper a signal success.

George L. Willis
President

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The staff and students of the Sir Alexander Mackenzie school extend their congratulations to the St. Albert Gazette.

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The above has been the motto of the St. Albert High School for many years. Literally translated they mean "The results are on a par with the work". The trial of years and students gone by have proven the wisdom of this statement.

Although the School District was in existence earlier, the High School did not appear on the scene until the early date of

opening in September 1958. A great change has occurred from the 98 students enrolled then in the United Church basement to the 350 in the present facilities.

We are grateful to the Home and School Association for its continued support in our activities, to individuals who also have presented awards, to those who organized the bus transportation, to Board members and to many individuals and groups who have contributed throughout the last three years.

May we look forward to your continued interest and support.

Doug Petherbridge
Principal

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It is my esteem privilege and most certainly a pleasure on behalf of the school committee of the County of Sturgeon to bring words of congratulation and good wishes to St. Albert on this very great occasion of its Centenary. Education was as much a prime interest in days of old as it is today. The religious aspect of the community has contributed largely to the constant promotion of education and general progress through the years. Following the formation of the St. Albert School District No. 3 several other districts

were formed in the surrounding areas. Later several of these districts amalgamated to form the Sturgeon School Division, of which the St. Albert District became a member and remained as a part of this administration until the New Town of St. Albert was formed.

The County of Sturgeon continues to operate the Mission Park School for the rural students.

I would like to add a word of encouragement to the instigators of a local paper for St. Albert. This is another sign of progress which is common to this grand Old Town. It is my hope that St. Albert will continue to progress in the future and that I may continue to contribute in some small way to that goal.

J. W. Flynn
Chairman of the
School Committee
County of Sturgeon
No. 15



This School District was formed in April, 1958. In September of that year we opened our schools for the first time with an enrolment of 83 pupils. The student population has grown steadily and at the present time we have 350 students.

The present Board of Trustees consists of Mr. Derek Browne, Dr. Wm. Cuts, Mr. James Dobbie, Mr. Roy Usher and myself Chairman. We are continually striving to give our students the best education available.

Schools under our jurisdiction

are the Sir Alexander Mackenzie, A Portable in Mission Park, Two Portable classrooms in Grandin Park which we hope to move to Sturgeon Heights for the coming school term, and the Sir George Simpson School now under construction on Grosvenor Boulevard in Grandin Park.

Board meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at 7:45 P.M. and are open to the public. Once again we invite all interested parties to attend our meetings.

If we can be of assistance at any time please do not hesitate to call our Principal, Mr. Petherbridge or the District Secretary, Mr. Armstrong.

Wishing the St. Albert Gazette all success in the future and thanking them for asking us to contribute to the original issue.

Ronald H. Harvey,
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Brewster Construction	10 pts.
St. Albert Lions	6 pts.
St. Albert K.C.'s	4 pts.
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On Saturday June 17th at 10:00 A.M. the St. Albert Legion and the Fire Department will play on Mission Park Picnic Grounds.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH PROGRAM

PROGRAM - JUNE 18

11:00 A.M.-Pontifical High Mass, His Excellency Anthony Jordan, OMI, DD, Archbishop Coadjutor of Edmonton.

Sermons: His Excellency J.H.

Macdonald, DD, Archbishop of Edmonton;
Rev. Father Guy Michaud, OMI, Provincial of the Oblates of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

1:30 P.M.-Banquet. Guest Speaker, Most. Reverend Leo Deschatelets, OMI, Superior General of the Oblates of MI.

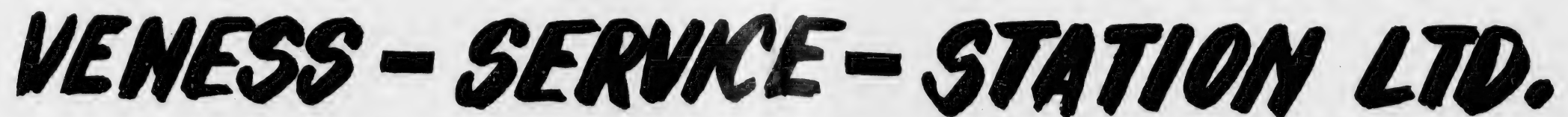
8:00 P.M.-Homage to Bishop Eugene de Mazenod, OMI, founder of the Oblates of MI on the occasion of the centennial of his death, May 21, 1861.

Organ Recital by Miss Irene Lafrandise.

Pageant: "Bishop de Mazenod Still Lives," by St. Joachim youth organization.

Speaker: Most Reverend Father Lea Deschatelets, Superior General.

Clarinet Recital: Dr. Raymond Brodeur.



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The editing of a weekly newspaper is just another indication of the growth of the New Town of St. Albert. It is with feelings of appreciation that the Board of Trustees of St. Albert School District No. 3 wishes to extend a friendly hand of welcome and congratulations to the Publisher of The St. Albert Gazette. This will not be the first newspaper to be published in St. Albert, just as this is not the first time this community felt the pangs of growing pains.

During the early years of this century the importance of St. Albert made itself known. When Edmonton commenced to overshadow St. Albert because of those geographic characteristics necessary for the larger Metropolitan area, the importance of our town was evidenced by the desire for direct communication between the two areas in the Edmonton-St. Albert street car system and the Canadian National Railway. It was during this period that the late Mrs. Michael Hogan edited the St. Albert News, and had it published by the LaFranchise Printing Press.

The disaster of World War I was a crippling blow to the expected expansion of St. Albert at that time. However, the spirit of the early pioneers has not been lost. Much of it has been transferred to the present generation and those early settlers can watch many dreams come true even if they do look from beyond that Vale of Time. With the development of a new country these hardy forebearers of civilization were not unmindful of the need of education. It is not strange therefore, that the early school system in St. Albert was so closely situated and connected with the Church, The Hardy Pioneers were God fearing as well as foreseers.

The early teaching was done and assisted by those first Missioners. Who needs to be reminded of Bishop Grandin and Bishop Legal, Father Lacombe, Father Leduc and Father Vegreville, and the other Oblate personnel together with the faithful Grey Nuns who made such contributions to the establishment of solid educational system in St. Albert.

In 1909, a modern building was erected under the guidance of one of the first School Boards. It was dedicated to the honor of the Parish Priest when named the Father Mérier School. Through this building with the evolution of time passed the expanding and growing youth populace of the district. It lost only its dedicated name through the years and even now after having been demolished in 1960, is referred to as the Old Brick School. So from the conception of the St. Albert Roman Catholic Public School District No. 3, under the Northwest Territories Act of that day, through the recognition of the District under the New Province of Alberta this institution continued to assist the young men and women of St. Albert to gain and grow in knowledge and understanding for God and Country.

In 1946, the District, though attached to the larger body of Sturgeon School Division No. 24, still retained its identity until the exclusion from that authority in 1958.

With the growth of The New Town of St. Albert, it is not surprising to the many who have watched and participated in this expansion to see the establishment of The St. Albert Protestant Separate School District No. 6, to exist coterminous with St. Albert School District No. 3. With the continuing operation of a school for the St. Albert rural population residing in the County of Sturgeon No. 15, there are more than one thousand students receiving their education in the New Town of St. Albert, from a new beginner in Grade I, through to matriculation standing.

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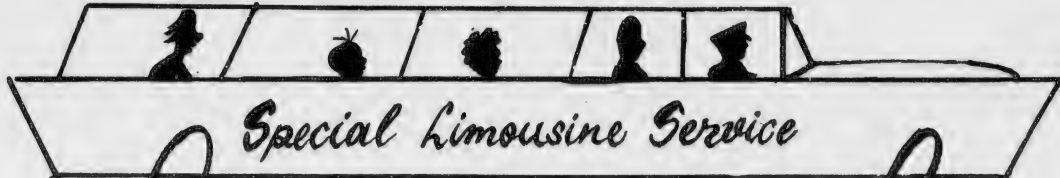
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enrolment is 215. There are nine teachers on Staff.

Mission Park School congratulates also, the St. Albert Gazette on its first edition. We wish you every success in your endeavor to serve the community.

Mr. Steve Sieben
Principal



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in our town since the old brick school was opened in 1909. At present Grades one to four are taught for children, of these grades, who live North of the river. Grades three and four are taught in portable units.

On the teaching staff are Mrs. J. MacMillan, Mrs. A. Kennedy, Mrs. Wm. Soprovich and Miss M. Wolnicwicz.

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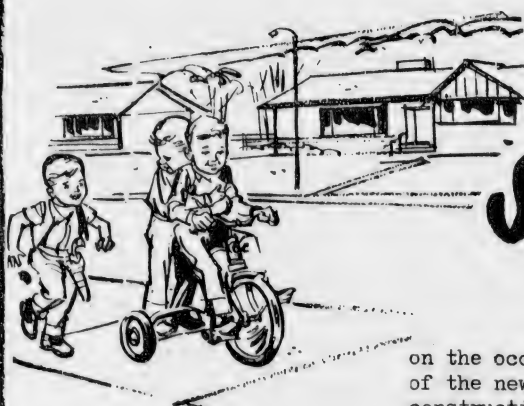
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ST. ALBERT CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

JUNE 17, 1961

Programme of Events

- 9:30 A.M. Start of Soap Box Derby on St. Vital Avenue.
- 10:00 A.M. St. Albert Little League Baseball Game on Mission Park Picnic Grounds.
- 10:30 A.M. Picnic on Mission Park Picnic Grounds - (Free Weiners and Ice Cream for the Children)
- to Rides
- Pony Rides
- 3:00 P.M. Aerobatic display by the "Red Knight".
Gymnastic Display by the Edmonton Y.M.C.A.
R.C.A.F. Training Command Band Concert.
Brass Band Contest.
Soap Box Derby Finals.
- 3:00 P.M. Parade.
- 4:00 P.M. Official Opening of the New Town Hall -
by Hon. Gordon E. Taylor, Minister of Highways.
- 5:30 P.M. Open House - New Town Hall.
- 5:00 P.M. Laying of Corner Stone for New Grandin Park School on Grosvenor Boulevard.
- 6:00 P.M. Reception, Banquet & Dance in the Community Hall.
- 6:30 P.M. St. Albert Pony League Baseball Game on Mission Park Picnic Grounds.
- 8:00 P.M. Street Dance - Exhibition by the Edmonton Square Dance Association - on Piron Street.
- 11:30 P.M. Bonfire - Singsong - Firework Display - on Mission Park Picnic Grounds.

N.B. This Programme is tentative only, and subject to change.

SATURDAY JUNE 17, 1961 BETWEEN 10:30 A.M. & 3:00 P.M. - AEROBATIC DISPLAY BY FLYING OFFICER
D.J. BARKER - "THE RED KNIGHT"

F/O D.J. Barker of Lakeview, Ontario joined the RCAF in August 1954. He underwent flying training at Stations Moose Jaw, Gimli, and MacDonald, receiving his wings at Station Gimli in November 1955. In February 1956 he joined the RCAF Regular force and completed the F-86 Sabre Jet course at Operational Training Unit, Chatham N.B. in December of that year. He was transferred overseas to 4 Fighter Wing, Germany where he spent 3 years as a squadron pilot in 444 Fighter Squadron. During this period, he was a member of the RCAF Air Firing Team, winners of the Guynemer Trophy, symbolic of the Allied Air Force Central Europe International Air Firing Championship for the years 1958 and 1959. In March 1960 he was transferred to Station Portage La Prairie for training as an Advanced Flying School Instructor on the T-33 Aircraft. At present he is employed as a Flying Instructor at 2 Advanced Flying School at Portage la Prairie where he assumed the position of substitute Red Knight in May 1961.

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It is a great delight, on behalf of the St. Albert W.I., to bring the pioneers and institutions of St. Albert and district, congratulations and heartfelt greetings on the occasion of their centennial year. The faith and endurance of these worthy people have made it possible to have such a fine community today.

I am sure that the fine example that has been set for all residents of today, will inspire us to go on to greater accomplishments in the future.



The W.I. has always given its support to all worthwhile projects in the community and will continue to help in any way possible to make St. Albert a good place to live.

May all the organizations, institutions and residents of St. Albert be inspired, from our centennial celebrations, to co-operate in every way to make St. Albert the best town in Alberta.

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These days I often think what a great responsibility we bear on behalf of our St. Albert youth if we should fail to guide them in the way that our forefathers set forth. They had faith in God, they faced and solved the most impossible difficulties with smiles on their faces and their determination was as strong as the mighty rocks of the Rocky Mountains. Do we and our children have the same spirit and the same courage these days?

When I see this fast growing town among the lovely evergreens I am hopeful for the future. Yes, we still have men and women in our Town who are willing to give their hearts and their leadership for the future of our young people. Let the inspiring history of St. Albert always be of great assistance for all of us to hold on to the solid base that was laid by the never forgotten pioneers of 1861.

William Veness



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from 7:30 to
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Sunday: Masses: 7:30 A.M.
8:30 A.M. (French)
9:30 A.M.
11:00 A.M. (High Mass)

1st Friday: 7:30 A.M. Communion
8:00 A.M. Mass
8:45 A.M. Communion
8:30 P.M. Mass

UNITED CHURCH ST. ALBERT

Sunday Service - 9:30 A.M.
Session - 2nd Sunday 7:30 P.M.
Stewards - 2nd Tuesday 8:30 P.M.
W.A. - 2nd Monday 8:15 P.M.
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